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WARE, MASSACHUSETTS



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1944 SEASON

In sending you our list of fine Gladiolus for the 1944 season we must again express our thanks and appreciation for your orders last season and for the confidence placed in us to supply you with quality bulbs.

Many new varieties are listed this year and are recommended to you for trial in your garden. All orders are filled with a generous count and extras are included for trial.

TERMS—Cash with order or 25% with order, balance C.O.D. POSTAGE STAMPS not accepted in payment for bulbs.

MINIMUM ORDER—No order accepted for less than \$1.00, no single item for less than 10c.

PLEASE ORDER EARLY—It will allow more time to fill your order carefully and will insure getting the varieties wanted as there is a great shortage of bulbs this year; many varieties will be sold out early and we suggest you give second choice or advise if we can substitute if sold out of variety ordered.

DELIVERY—All orders from the General List are shipped pre-paid. Shipment at any time you request.

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GENERAL LIST

10 bulbs at 8 times the single rate. 3 or more at the 10 rate.

		Per	Large	Medium	Small	Bulblets	Per
ALADDIN	.....	1	.10	.07	.03	100	.20
Large, bright ruffled salmon							
ALCHEMIST	.....	1	.08	.05	...	...	...
Early deep yellow							
ALCONQUIN	.....	1	.10	.07	...	...	...
Bright glowing scarlet with large wide open blooms							
AMADOR	1	.08	.05
Brilliant red							

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AMBERGLOW	Deep clear amber yellow	1	.10	.07
AMERICAN COMMANDER	Clear rich red	1	.15	.10	...	25	.10
ANGELUS	Tall ruffled light pink	1	.10	.07	.03	50	.15
ARTHUSA	Early light apricot with cream blotch	1	.10	.05	.03	50	.10
AVE MARIE	Tall early medium blue	1	.08	.05	.03	...	...
BEACON	Salmon scarlet with large cream blotch Tall with many open	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
BELLA DONNA	Tall clear blue, early	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.10
BLACK OPAL	Tall dark red with 6-8 blooms open	1	.10	.07	.04	...	...
CAMELLIA	Blush white tinted pink, large flowers with 6-8 open	1	.10	.05	.03	50	.15
CARILLON	A beautiful light pink with cream throat	1	.10	.07	.04	50	.15
CAROLINE W. GANNETT	Giant slate rose with cherry blotch	1	2.00	1.25	.75	1	.30
CHAMOUNY	Distinctive tall rose with velvety texture	1	.20	.15	.10	25	.20
CHARMAINE	Rich deep rose with darker throat	1	.10	.06	.03	50	.20
COLONIAL MAID	Tall light lavender	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
COLOSSUS	Extra large size pink	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
COMMANDER KOEHL	Large tall medium red	1	.10	.06	...	...	...
CONQUEST	Light salmon pink with cream throat	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
CORAL GLOW	Fine deep orange, large blooms well placed on tall spike	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
DEBONAIRE	Tall growing clear, light pink	1	.08	.05	.03
DR. HOEG	Velvety deep red—Very attractive	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15

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EARLY ROSE	Rose with deeper blotch—Early	1	.03	.05	.03	50	.15
EDITH GRACE	White with wine red blotch—Tall, straight and very attractive	1	.20	.10	.05	25	.20
ETHEL CAVE COLE	New large light clear pink—Many open	1	.15	.10	.05	25	.15
FIREFLY	Bright scarlet with cream lines	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
CARDENIA	Cream white—Tall spike always straight	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
COLD DUST	Early deep yellow—Very early	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
GREENLIGHT	Light yellow with a decided greenish cast—Opens 5-6 large flowers—An outstanding novelty	1	.15	.10	.05	25	.20
CRETA GARBO	Huge creamy pink—A beautiful and outstanding variety	1	.15	.10	.05	20	.15
HARVEST MOON	Clear medium yellow, deeper throat	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
HECTOR	Salmon scarlet with white throat marking	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
HERITAGE	Large light pink with many open	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
HINDENBURGS MEMORY	Fine tall sparkling red—One of the best	1	.15	.08	.05	50	.20
IMPERIAL PURPLE	Deep bright clear purple—Opens 5-6 large well placed blooms on tall straight spike	1	.50	.35	.25	10	.50
IRAK	Clear silvery grey—A popular variety	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
ISOLA BELLA	Tall ruffled pinkish lavender	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
JASMINE	Clear light ruffled yellow without markings	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
J. S. BACH	Orange salmon with lighter throat—8-10 open	1	.10	.06	...	...	...
KING ARTHUR	Large ruffled roseyl lavender—Distinctive and beautiful	1	.10	.06

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KING LEAR	1	.10	.06
Beautiful new purple with lustrous sheen—Waved and ruffled							
LaFIESTA	.....	1	.08	.05	....	50	.15
Vivid orange—Tall with many open							
LAVENDER QUEEN	.....	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
Deep violet lavender—6-8 open on tall straight spike							
LAVENDER RUFFLES	.....	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
Pinkish lavender—Clear and slightly ruffled							
LEADING LADY	.....	1	1.00	.75	.50	5	.50
Large ruffled cream with deeper cream throat							
LEONA	.....	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Tall outstanding deep rose red—6-8 open and well placed on tall spike							
LIBELLE	.....	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Large flowered early blue							
MAID OF ORLEANS	.....	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Tall white with cream throat, large flowers, good placement							
MARGARET BEATON	.....	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
Snow white with small red throat blotch —Very attractive but tends to crook in hot weather							
MARGARET FULTON	.....	1	.08	.05	.03	50	....
Early clear salmon pink with many open							
MAX REGER	.....	1	.10	.06	....	....	....
Fine light early blue							
MINUET	.....	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
Very finest light lavender							
MISS NEW ZEALAND	.....	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
Giant pink—One of the largest							
MOHAWK	.....	1	.50	.30	.15	15	.25
Deep maroon—Opens 7-8 on tall straight spike							
MONTENEGRO	.....	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Deep dark red							
MYRNA	.....	1	.15	.10	.05	50	.20
New ruffled cream white—Opens 7-8 —One of the finest of the new ones							
NANA	.....	1	.75	.50	.30	10	.40
Tall straight pure white—New and distinctive							
OGANDA	1	.15	.10	50	.25
The blackest glad.—Very dark red opening 5-6 blooms on tall wiry spike							

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PEGGY LOU	Rose pink—A prize winner at the shows	1	.08	.05	.03	50 .15
PELEGRINA	Deep violet blue—Considered the best dark blue	1	.08	.05	.03	50 .15
PFITZERS MASTERPIECE	Beautiful clear light pink with white throat	1	.10	.06	.04	50 .15
PHYLIS McQUISTON	Beautiful pure pink with lighter throat—Tall spikes and vigorous grower	1	.08	.05	.03	50 .15
PICARDY	The best salmon pink—The most popular variety grown	1	.08	.05	...	50 .15
PRairie GOLD	Pure deep golden yellow	1	.08	.05	...	...
PURPLE BEAUTY	Clear deep purple—Large round flowers	1	.10	.06	.04	50 .15
RED PHIPPS	Light red—5-6 open on tall straight spike	1	.08	.05	...	...
REWI FALLU	Large deep red—Tall spikes with 5-6 blooms open	1	.10	.06	.04	...
RIMA	Beautiful tall lavender pink—Extra fine	1	.10	.06	.04	50 .20
ROCKET	Large vivid scarlet opening 6-7 large blooms	1	.08	.05	.03	50 .15
ROSA VAN LIMA	An extra fine light rose pink—Grows tall with 5-6 flowers open on good spike	1	.08	.05	.03	50 .15
SANDRA	Light pink with amber blotch	1	.08	.05	.03	50 .10
SENSATION	Bright soft rose—Opens many huge florets on tall strong stem—Late	1	.15	.10	.05	25 .20
SHIRLEY TEMPLE	Very large ruffled cream—Tends to crook in hot weather	1	.08	.05	.03	50 .15
SILENTIUM	Tall white with small red blotch—Opens 5-6 on tall straight stem	1	.20	.15	.10	20 .15
SMILING MAESTRO	Light red—Very large blooms with 5-6 open	1	.08	.05	.03	50 .15
SNOW PRINCESS	A fine new cream white opening 6-8 blooms	1	.10	.06	.04	50 .15

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STREAK O'BUTTER	Very tall bronze yellow	1	.08	.05	...	50	.15
SWEET ALIBI	Ruffled deep pink with lighter throat —4-5 blooms open on tall spike	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
TIEFLAND	Deep violet blue—Fine outstanding variety	1	.25	.15	.10	25	.20
TIMBUCKOO	Deep rose red—Large blooms on good spikes	1	.10	.07	.04	50	.15
VAGABOND PRINCE	A gorgeous mahogany brown with flame blotch—Many open on good spike	1	.10	.05	.03	50	.15
VALERIA	Light scarlet red—This one extra good	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
VISTA BONITA	Large pink with cream throat—5-6 open on very tall spike	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
VREDENBURG	A good early pure white—One of the best	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
VULCAN	Fine new purple with 5-6 open—An outstanding variety in this color class	1	.75	.50	.30	10	.50
WHITE GOLD	A mamouth cream blending to gold in the throat—Strong grower—Very early	1	.60	.40	.20	10	.40
YELLOW EMPEROR	Very rich yellow—Good grower and fine color	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
ZUNI	Rich smoky combination of salmon and slate with purplish overcast	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15

CHOICE COLLECTION

A popular collection containing all colors and shades made up of 2 bulbs each of 50 different named varieties but not labeled. No finer collection offered anywhere.

25 LARGE BULBS	.....	\$1.50	Prepaid
50 LARGE BULBS	.....	3.00	Prepaid
100 LARGE BULBS	.....	5.00	Prepaid

The same collection but in Medium size bulbs.

25 MEDIUM BULBS	.....	\$1.00	Prepaid
50 MEDIUM BULBS	.....	1.75	Prepaid
100 MEDIUM BULBS	.....	2.75	Prepaid

CARE AND CULTURE

SOIL AND FERTILIZER

Glads do well on most any soil if they are planted in the open garden where there is plenty of sunshine. You may work well rotted manure into the soil in the Spring by putting into the bottom of your planting trench, then covering with an inch of soil, then planting your bulbs. Vigoro is also good. Two or three applications of commercial fertilizer may be made on the surface along the rows during the growing season before the plants bloom. Any fertilizer should be kept from direct contact with the bulb or foliage. If you wish to grow immense spikes you must fertilize heavily; your plants must also have at least an inch of water every three or four days.

PLANTING

Work soil to a depth of eight inches, or ten inches will be better. For large bulbs they should be covered with not less than six inches of soil. The deeper planting helps keep them upright when blooming. Smaller bulbs should be planted not less than two inches. You may regulate your distance apart in the row by the space you have. Plant rows anywhere from 2 ft. to 3 ft. apart. Plant in rows from two to six inches apart, depending on space and number of bulbs. They do well planted close together, but require more water.

DIGGING AND STORAGE

Our early stock is taken up in late September. The bulbs should be taken up within six weeks to two months after blooming but before the tops begin to get brown. Even if the tops are green, bulbs should be taken up before the ground freezes deeply. After digging cut off the tops close to bulb and put in screen bottomed tray to cure. They should have plenty of ventilation while curing and must not be put in containers more than three or four inches deep. Stir them every few days and keep dry. In four weeks they will be cured so that old bulbs may be removed from the bottoms. They may then be placed in storage.

The storage temperature is best at 40 to 50 degrees. Your storage room should be dry, cool and ventilated and as near uniform as possible as to temperature. It is well to look at your bulbs every two or three weeks. If they are showing signs of too much moisture or looking mouldy, dry them out and give better ventilation. Keep them in small containers and spread thin.

THRIP

The adult Gladiolus Thrip is a very small black insect about one-sixteenth of an inch long. The injury causes bleaching of the foliage and drying up of the buds so they do not open.

Start spraying when the plants are up 6 or 7 inches high, and spray every week or 10 days. The Government experts recommend 2 level tablespoons of TARTAR EMETIC (purchase at any drug store), 1/3 lb. brown sugar, 3 gals. of water. Keep this concoction well stirred while using as a spray.

If you are thorough in following out a program of spraying you will have no trouble with Thrip.

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